



EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2815

S/N 08/903,453

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Leonard Forbes et al.

Examiner: George C. Eckert II

Serial No.: 08/903,453

Group Art Unit: 2815

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Docket: 303.378US1

Title: CARBURIZED SILICON GATE INSULATORS FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office action, thereby moving the deadline for response from 22 August 2001 to 22 September 2001.

In response to the final Office Action dated 22 May 2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

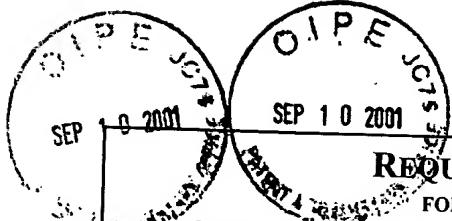
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Please cancel claims 1, 4-6, 20-23, 29-40, 49, and 53-64.

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REMARKS

In response to the final Office Action dated 22 May 2001, the applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-6 and 20-68 were pending in the application, and were rejected. Claims 1, 4-6, 20-23, 29-40, 49, and 53-64 will be cancelled, and claims 2, 3, 24-28, 41-48, 50-52, and 65-68 will be pending in the application upon entry of the present amendment. None of the claims have been amended.

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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled CARBURIZED SILICON GATE INSULATORS FOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

1. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
2. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
3. An Amendment Under 37 CFR § 1.116 (9 pages) is enclosed.
4. A new power of attorney (pages) is enclosed.
5. An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed (1 page)
 - a. 1 Form(s) 1449
 - b. 4 Copies of IDS Citations
6. A check in the amount of \$710.00 is attached to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.
8. A petition for extension of time in the prior application (1 pages) is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$110.00 to pay the extension fee.
9. Other: _____

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